

SCDXC Newsletter



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<http://www.scdxc.org>
If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater:

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Happy New Year!!!!



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*If you need him get in
there and work him"*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visalia International DX Convention 2018

The second convention meeting is over. Now it gets serious. We still have openings. The third committee meeting will be held at the Jacob residence on January 13th at 10 AM.

Positions we would like to see filled:

These are major positions we still need to fill:

Prize Chair (Works with Vendor Chair)

Registration Online (Assists Convention Treasurer)

Audio Visual (Works with Program Chair & Presenters)

Special Event Station

Enjoy the holidays and come back ready to make 2018 the best year ever.

IDXC Visalia 2018 Logo Contest

There was a minor hitch in the Logo Contest. One of the candidate logos was not printed up for the party. To resolve this issue the committee decided to hold the vote at the January meeting. Right now all the candidates are inviting everyone they know to come and vote! It will be a stampede unless our brave and noble members show up and quell the onslaught! Please come to the January meeting and show our solidarity!

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From the Desk of the Exiting President

Doug Dowds, W6HB

Happy New Year to all as Mel, K6SY, takes the reins.

All feedback I received indicated all had a great time at the SCDXC Holiday Party at the Ports of Call Restaurant in San Pedro. I thought the venue was very good as was the food and presentation. The only negative I heard was us old folks could not read the tiny food ID signs. Getting old is not for sissies folks! Congratulations to all the prize winners as I was skunked.

As for me in 2018 I am looking forward to my 6th trip to play in E51 land. Despite the bands continuing downward any day on the radio beats a day at work or competing on the roads of California. It is a true joy to enjoy zero ambient noise levels after fighting them daily at my 6-land QTH.

I pass to Mel and Kris to spell out their plans for the new year and look forward to seeing some new blood programs while keeping true to our roots and basics. I would really like to see some "KISS" antenna presentations as they remain something all need, few newbie's understand and are still something almost anyone can work on and or build.

May the DX be with you!

73 - Doug W6HB



January Calendar

January 11	SCDXC Club Meeting
January 13	NAQP CW
January 20	NAQP SSB
January 26	CQWW 160 Meter CW Contest

For more contest Info see: <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/contestcal.html>

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From the Desk of the Entering President

Mel Hughes, K6SY

Hola! Buenos dias desde Quito, Ecuador. This has been a very long couple of days. We were up at 5:00 AM on Thursday morning and on the road to WEMS by 6:00 AM so Jerry could get us to the UNITED terminal at LAX by 7:00 AM for our flight to Huston, TX and then on to Quito, Ecuador arriving at about 12:30 AM Friday morning. We finally got to bed about 3:00 AM Friday. We manage to sleep through breakfast but were up for lunch and spent the afternoon slowly exploring the neighborhood around the hotel. I do mean slowly because the elevation here is 9500 ft ASL.

This trip has once again demonstrated that there are some positives to being over 75. We don't have to take our shoes off for TSA. And with Pre Check checking is was pretty easy.

Earlier today I tried using MUMBLE with K6DXC-Chat and talked with N6CA and N6RV. Works great and kind of fun signing as K6SY/HC. When Carl and Cathy return home in a few days I will try signing on remotely to their Flex 6700 from the Galapagos.

We will be exploring more of Quito for the next two days and then very early on December 25 we will be flying over to the Galapagos. There we will be spending Christmas Day making our first wet landing and encounter with the strange wildlife of the Islands. It's almost like waiting for Santa to come when I was 6 years old! My Digital camera is ready and I have memory capacity for at least 25000 Raw file images. We'll be back in LA late New Year's Eve to begin editing them.

I want to thank Doug and Kris and George and all the others who worked to make the Holiday party so enjoyable. Great prizes George! THANK YOU ALL !!!

Our January meeting will feature a Skype presentation from Flex Radio. We will be one of the first clubs to have this presentation. Kris is working on the rest of the year.

So from Ecuador, hasta luego, buenas noches, felices vacaciones y un próspero año nuevo and in a couple of days Feliz Navidad.

DE Mel K6SY/HC



VP Notes

Kris Jacob, KC6TOD

Thank you to all who joined us for the Holiday Party at the Port's O Call Restaurant in San Pedro. From the comments from those who attended, everyone had a great time. At this time we are already looking into venues for the 2018 Holiday Party. Suggestions are welcome!

The January 11th, 2018 meeting will be a Flex Radio Presentation via Skype organized by Mel Hughes K6SY our incoming President. Hope we can see everyone there...

Remember this is SCDXC's year to host the 2018 International DX Convention, our next planning meeting will be held at our QTH 10:00 am – 1901 W. El Portal Drive, La Habra, 90631. Please join us to make this the best convention ever! RSVP if you are coming, so that I may plan for refreshments – kc6tod@scdxc.org.

Happy New Year from our home to yours!
Kris Jacob KC6TOD
SCDXC Vice President 2018

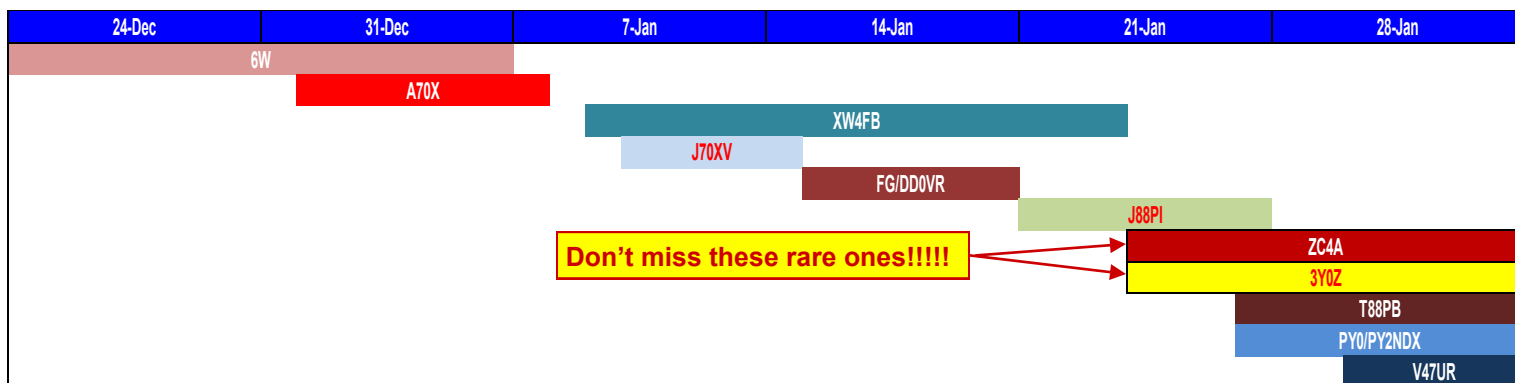


Rumors on the Band

January is another slow month however this month we have three large DXpeditions! A70X will activate a new island in Qatar. ZC4A is a multi-station operation by 5B4AGN and company. Finally, but not the least, 3Y0Z, the big DXpedition to Bouvet Island, the most isolated place in the world will begin at the end of the month.

Look forward to low band operations as this is 160 meter season. The CQWW 160 CW contest is on January 26th.

QTH	Call	Start Date	End Date	Information
Senegal	6W	Now	12-Jan	6W1/WA3DX 6W7/WA3DX 6W6/WA3DX 40-10m SSB
Qatar	A70X	1-Jan	6-Jan	Qatar ARS
Laos	XW4FB	9-Jan	23-Jan	KB4FB
Dominica	J70VR	10-Jan	14-Jan	DF3BW DD0VR 40-10 SSB
Guadeloupe	FG/DD0VR	14-Jan	20-Jan	DF3BW DD0VR 40-10 SSB
St Vincent	J88PI	21-Jan	27-Jan	GW4DVB 40-6m SSB
Cyprus SBA	ZC4A	24-Jan	31-Jan	5B4AGN & others 160-10m CW SSB Digital
Bouvet	3Y0Z	25-Jan	14-Mar	EY8MM HA5AO JR4OZR K0IR K4UEE K9CT LA6VM N4GRN N6HC N9TK NM1Y PA5M SM5AQD VA7DX VE7CT W0GJ W6IZT W8HC WB9Z 160-10m
Palau	T88PB	27-Jan	31-Jan	JA0JHQ
Fernando de Noronha	PY0/PY2NDX	27-Jan	1-Feb	
St Kitts	V47UR	29-Jan	12-Feb	W3UR 160-10m CW SSB



DX Standings

The Standings have been updated against the ARRL lists and ClubLog.

Red represents members who have all current entities (#1 Honor Roll)

Blue Represents members who have 330 entities or above (Honor Roll).

Black is everyone else.

Send any updates to:

N6RV@SCDXC.org

SCDXC WAZ and DXCC Standings

The first WAZ column is the confirmed zone count on 10 bands 160 - 6 (less 60 meters). The second column is the regular 5BWAZ confirmed count. The following are the codes that follow the two columns and indicate the awards:

M	Mixed
P	Phone
C	CW
R	RTTY
5	5 Band

The first DXCC column is the confirmed entity count with deleted countries. The second column is the confirmed current entity count. The third column is the challenge slots.

The members highlighted in **Red** are at the top of the Honor Roll. Those in **Blue** are on the Honor Roll

SCDXC Southern California Members Standings 2018							
DXCC				DXCC			
DXCC	Total	Current	Slots	DXCC	Total	Current	Slots
W6KH	388	339		KJ6Y	326	324	1312
K6KII	387	339		AC6DX	322	320	1898
JA1BK	382	339		N6NPG	319	317	
K6YRA	377	339		AK6I	316	314	1126
OH2BH	377	339		W1YL	315	312	
ON4UN	372	339		N6GP	314	292	1583
K6EXO	371	339		KC6T	314	312	
N6UC	368	339		W6HB	311	308	1029
W6BCQ	365	339	1600	N6VNI	310	308	1475
K6YUI	365	339		K6TX	307	300	
DJ9ZB	365	339		NK6A	303	297	957
K6IPV	362	334	1800	W3SE/ZL3TE	295	293	1413
NS6C	360	339	2282	N6DHz	292	290	1008
K6SMF	360	337		N6UOZ	280	280	
W6HT	358	339		KT6LA	279	277	1039
W6SR	358	339	2822	WA6WXd	274	272	
N4XX	358	339		K7MY	267	265	831
WA6WZO	357	339		K6VC	259	256	
K6FG	356	339	2747	N6WT	257	257	1071
K8RD	356	339		W6DOE	244	242	1005
KR6C	355	338	1990	KQ6K	243	241	
K6GXO	355	339	2633	N6VOH	243	241	
N6RV	355	338	2050	K6SS	242	240	
W6IRD	354	337		W6LEN	236	209	656
K5KT	354	339		K6JEY	234	230	
N6QQ	353	337	2206	K6IRD	233	230	
W6TJI	353	339		N6HE	228	195	636
W8DX	352	339	2519	N6AA	222	218	
W6OU	352	333	1434	K6AWB	219	217	
N7NR	350	336	1123	W6WVW	210	208	
W6TK	350	339	1911	K6DDJ	204	201	534
W6VX	349	339	2772	KK6FJQ	202	200	149
KC6X	349	328	1995	W6KC	201	200	571
W6YOO	349	338		N6PZK	201	198	
W6ENZ	348	338	2393	W6JEA	195	193	
N6HC	348	339	2280	NE6V	193	193	554
W6KK	348	339	1822	K6QU	174	86	157
N6WS	348	336	2016	KB6CIO	167	164	
Ai6Z	348	329	2166	KF6I	166	162	
N6IC	347	336		N6PM	164	163	455
K6ND	347	339	2558	AA6VX	156	155	389
WA5VGI	347	339	2738	W6EA	152	149	
N6HY	345	337	2443	W6QE	149	149	224
SM5GMZ	344	333	2275	AB9A	141	139	
K6LPO	344	330	1236	N6DBF	134	134	374
N6PE	344	331	1697	N6RU	127	126	261
N6PEQ	343	336	1908	K6DSW	122	122	
K7ACZ	341	324	1756	KC6TOD	120	119	
KM6HB	341	334	1890	K6MKL	115	115	
W6FL	339	334	1129	KA6D	107	107	
W6SW	338	330	551	N6LL	105	105	
W6ZPL	338	335		K6BBC	103	103	
N6XT	337	330		N6HD	101	101	
K2IXQ	336	331	1728	NQ6L	100	100	
K6RO	336	334	1531	K7LA	100	100	1768
N6MXU	333	330	1387	WA6MEM	100	100	
K6SY	333	323	1037	K6SBA	100	100	
KØOK	329	327	1680	K9TAD	51	51	65
N6AX	327	325	1114	KE6PLA	45	45	96
W6DR	327	322	1405	WZ6D	36	36	52
K6JW	327	321	1081	KK6ABZ	13	13	
AA6PW	326	324	1632				

WAZ Standings		
Call	10B / 5B	Awards
K6ND	378 / 200	M/5
W6SR	369 / 200	M/P/C/I/5
K6FG	365 / 198	M/P/C/R/5
WA5VGI	358 / 200	M/P/C/5
W8DX	357 / 200	M/5
EU7SA	357 / 200	M/5
N6AW	355 / 200	M/P/C/5
NS6C	345 / 200	
K6YRA	337 / 200	P/5
K6YUI	337 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
WD6L	248 / 200	M/P/5
N6OU	220 / 200	M/5
K6UNR	/ 200	M/P/5
W6VX	352 / 199	
K6GXO	358 / 198	M
W6ENZ	347 / 197	
SM5GMZ	345 / 196	M/P/C
N6MXU	155 / 193	
K2PLF	191 / 191	
N6RV	302 / 187	M/P/C
KC6X	294 / 187	M/P/C/5
N6QQ	325 / 186	M/P/C/R
K6LD	314 / 186	M/P/C
W6YOO	308 / 185	M/P/C/5
KH6DX/m	210 / 184	
KH6MB	304 / 179	5
KØOK	286 / 173	
K6SY	246 / 173	P
W6ZPL	237 / 173	M/P
KJ6Y	261 / 172	
KR6C	295 / 171	M/C
AD6KQ	226 / 164	
N6DHz	214 / 160	P
K6KII	191 / 177	M
W6DR	227 / 159	
NK6A	152 / 152	M/5
W6NRQ	180 / 147	M/P
WA6BOB	152 / 136	M
W6IRD	151 / 111	M/P
W5DQ	161 / 122	
K6IRD	154 / 126	M/P
WB6PSY	139 / 140	P
KT6LA	132 / 103	
N6HE	130 / 138	
W3SE	102 / 112	
K6IRA	118 / 102	
K6VC	96 / 96	P
W6EA	92 / 86	
N6UC	78 / 78	M
KA6TTV	82 / 67	
N6VNI	86 / 64	
N6RRY	74 / 64	
N6GIL	49 / 43	
W6DCK	40 / 40	P
K6JW	40 / 40	M/P
K6YR	39 / 39	
W6DOE	37 / 37	
NZ6L	36 / 36	
W4EF	29 /	
N6AWD		M
N6HC		M/P/C
KB6KTV		P
W6OES		M
K8RD		C

2017 Get Schroeder Contest

2017 Get Schroeder Leaders						
2017 Entities Worked by SCDXC						278
2017 ClubLog Leaders						289
2016 SCDXC Members						282
2016 SCDXC Leaders (N6QQ / N6WS)						265
2016 ClubLog Leaders						289
Rank	Call	Entities	Delta	Missed	-QQ	Uniques
1	N6RV	263	4	15	-10	0
2	N6WT	259	4	19	-6	0
3	N6WS	258	2	20	-5	0
4	N6QQ	253	2	25	0	1
5	W6TK	249	1	29	4	0
6	NS6C	211	2	67	42	0
7	K7ACZ	210	6	68	43	1
8	W6OU	204	6	74	49	0
9	A16Z	200	0	78	53	0
10	WA5VGI	173	3	105	80	0
11	SM5GMZ	155	0	123	98	0
12	K6FJQ	153	3	125	100	0
13	W6SR	140	11	138	113	0
14	W6ENZ	139	2	139	114	0
15	N6PM	137	4	141	116	0
16	N6HY	134	0	144	119	1
17	N6BV	134	0	144	119	0
18	ZL3TE	135	16	143	118	0
19	W6DR	131	0	147	122	0
20	N6GP	126	0	152	127	0
21	K6FG	118	0	160	135	0
22	K6QU	115	3	163	138	0
23	KR6C	106	0	172	147	0
24	NK6A	104	0	174	149	0

1A0	4S	7Q	A3	CE9	E7	FK	GI	HS	KH0	LY	PJ5	SV9	TU	VK9C	VU	YV
1S	4U1TU	7X	A4	CN	EA	FK/C	GJ	HV	KH1	LZ	PJ7	T2	TY	VK9L	VU4	YV0
3A	4U1UN	8P	A5	CO	EA6	FM	GM	HZ	KH2	OA	PY	T30	TZ	VK9M	VU7	Z2
3B7	4W	8Q	A6	CP	EA8	FO	GU	I	KH3	OD	PY0F	T31	UA	VK9N	XE	Z3
3B8	4X	8R	A7	CT	EA9	FO/A	GW	ISO	KH4	OE	PY0S	T32	UA0	VK9W	XF4	Z8
3B9	5A	9A	A9	CT3	EI	FO/C	H4	J2	KH5	OH	PY0T	T33	UA2	VK9X	XT	ZA
3C	5B	9G	AP	CU	EK	FO/M	H40	J3	KH6	OH0	PZ	T5	UJ	VP2E	XU	ZB2
3C0	5H	9H	BS7H	CX	EL	FP	HA	J5	KH7	OJ0	R1F	T7	UN	VP2M	XW	ZC4
3D2	5N	9J	BU	CY0	EP	FR	HB	J6	KH8	OK	S0	T8	UR	VP2V	XX9	ZD7
3D2/C	5R	9K	BV9P	CY9	ER	FR/G	HB0	J7	KH8	OM	S2	TA	V2	VP5	XZ	ZD8
3D2/R	5T	9L	BY	D2	ES	FR/J	HC	J8	KH8S	ON	S5	TF	V3	VP6	YA	ZD9
3DA	5U	9M2	C2	D4	ET	FR/T	HC8	JA	KH9	OX	S7	TG	V4	VP6/D	YB	ZF
3V	5V7	9M6	C3	D6	EU	FS	HH	JD1/M	KL7	OY	S9	TI	V5	VP8	YI	ZK3
3W	5W	9N	C5	DL	EY	FT5W	HI	JD1/O	KP1	OZ	SM	T19	V6	VP8/G	YJ	ZL
3XA	5X	9Q	C6	DU	EX	FT5X	HK	JT	KP2	P2	SP	TJ	V7	VP8/H	YK	ZL7
3Y/B	5Z	9U	C9	E3	EZ	FT5Z	HK0/M	JW	KP4	P4	ST	TK	V8	VP8/O	YL	ZL8
3Y/P	6W	9V	CE	E4	F	FW	HK0/S	JX	KP5	P5	SU	TL	VE	VP8/S	YN	ZL9
4J	6Y	9X	CE0X	E5/N	FG	FY	HL	JY	LA	PA	SV	TN	VK	VP9	YO	ZP
4L	7O	9Y	CE0Y	E5/S	FH	G	HP	K	LU	PJ2	SV/A	TR	VK0H	VQ9	YS	ZS
4O	7P	A2	CE0Z	E6	FJ	GD	HR	KG4	LX	PJ4	SV5	TT	VK0M	VR	YT	ZS8

It looks like we topped out at 278. That is 4 below last year.

24 members worked DXCC this year so far!

ClubLog leaders are one off last years numbers!

SCDXC leader are off 4 off last years numbers!

The year is coming to a close. Nevertheless SCDXC members have nabbed 2 more entities (9L & J2)! The ClubLog leaders picked up one, VK9W. This closes the gap to 11.

So far 3 members have left Quack Quack in the dust! What happened? Talking to John he attributes the difference to the shift in opening times. John missed all the openings before 10 AM. The biggest openings of late are on 40 and 30 meters around sunrise and sunset. Some of us who stay up late had to adjust their sleep times going to bed late, rising before sunrise and taking a nap after the openings end. The things we do for DXing!

Oms, PY2EG leads the ClubLog leaders with 282 entities. If you have not looked into his station Google him. He is near the equator and the Atlantic Ocean. That is the recipe for a great DX location. Add the massive number of towers and antennas with his passion for the hobby and you are there!

Next month we will publish the certified results.

9L J2

Entities added to SCDXC totals this month

1S ST TT Z8
ET SV/A VK9W ZC4
FT5X T5 VP8/O

Entities worked on ClubLog not yet worked by SCDXC

Was VK9W & FT5X active this year?

Get Schroeder Award Standings are calculated by entries in Club Log.

To learn how to use club log and enter your countries see <http://www.scdxc.org/dx-standings.html>

SCDXC Get Schroeder Standings 2017																
Rank	Call	160	80	60	40	30	20	17	15	12	10	6	Total	Slots	Yrs	
1	N6RV	0	1	0	196	149	227	151	132	46	40	17	263	959	49	
2	N6WS	15	70	9	190	152	219	190	157	55	52	7	259	1116	53	
3	N6WT	32	78	0	179	141	222	161	129	33	30	6	259	1011	3	
4	N6QQ	0	37	0	181	127	235	152	133	44	51	9	253	969	60	
5	W6TK	15	63	0	186	94	219	159	123	24	35	3	249	921	60	
6	NS6C	28	48	0	99	51	121	50	31	14	6	1	211	449	60	
7	K7ACZ	15	56	0	128	33	177	52	99	6	18	0	210	584	48	
8	W6OU	7	45	0	92	51	124	55	30	15	10	7	204	436	54	
9	A16Z	1	37	0	107	25	162	25	74	6	16	0	200	453	24	
10	WA5VGI	25	39	0	65	38	146	22	62	0	7	0	173	404	33	
11	SM5GMZ	11	57	0	53	43	58	60	35	13	4	0	155	334	48	
12	K6FJQ	0	0	0	47	16	104	28	34	2	1	1	151	233	4	
13	W6SR	19	33	0	58	4	113	2	91	0	22	15	140	357	50	
14	W6ENZ	33	31	0	63	31	54	75	20	8	12	0	139	327	50	
15	N6PM	0	1	0	65	38	95	69	69	13	21	3	137	374	23	
16	ZL3TE	2	13	0	100	11	63	30	64	9	15	3	135	310	13	
17	N6HY	11	31	0	86	39	68	38	19	0	2	4	134	298	64	
18	N6BV	31	50	0	62	0	45	43	31	9	13	0	134	284	21	
19	W6DR	10	38	0	103	8	96	5	70	1	4	2	131	337	37	
20	N6GP	0	17	0	20	2	84	8	76	0	24	5	126	236	28	
21	K6FG	11	30	0	63	14	57	46	41	3	4	12	118	281	61	
22	K6QU	0	33	0	74	38	54	24	18	4	7	0	115	252	3	
23	KR6C	0	3	0	46	18	49	21	8	3	0	2	106	150	39	
24	NK6A	0	0	0	28	0	85	3	73	0	16	0	104	205	72	
25	N6VNI	0	23	0	47	3	43	16	14	0	2	0	90	148	28	
26	KM6HB	5	17	0	44	23	36	26	20	9	8	3	82	191	26	
27	W6LEN	1	12	0	34	21	43	24	13	2	6	1	82	157	38	
28	AC6DX	0	33	0	61	0	43	2	42	0	22	2	81	205	10	
29	AA6VX	0	2	0	36	1	63	3	25	0	0	2	81	132	14	
30	N6DBF	0	2	6	50	8	40	27	24	1	5	4	80	167	31	
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37	N6HE	3	3	0	9	13	40	13	22	2	4	0	55	109	39	
38	KE6PLA	0	1	0	7	4	34	6	32	0	5	1	50	90	1	
39	N6RU	0	0	0	1	0	37	6	12	0	1	0	40	57	11	
40	K9TAD	1	0	0	16	0	25	1	1	0	0	1	37	45	10	
41	KT6LA	0	0	0	10	0	28	0	8	0	0	0	34	46	11	
42	K6JW	0	1	0	11	3	20	11	4	0	1	0	33	51	58	
43	N6AX	0	5	0	14	9	6	7	2	0	0	0	28	43	48	
44	W6SW	0	0	0	0	0	12	4	1	0	0	0	13	17	38	
45	K6YUI	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	4	4	60	

Chart Legend

White / Green	Entity Worked This Year by a Member
Black / White	Very Active Entity Not Yet Worked
Black / Blue	Entity with Announced Dxpediton
Black / Yellow	Rarely Active Entity Not Yet Worked
Black / Red	Inactive Entity
	Deleted Entity

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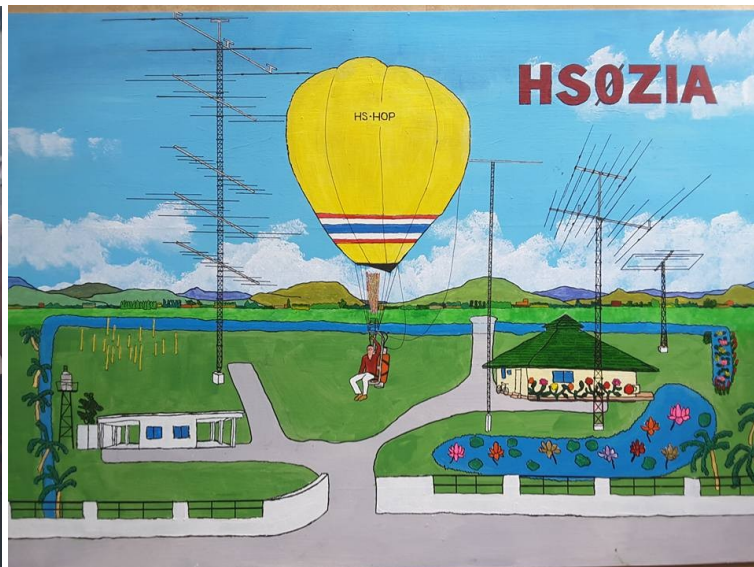




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HS0ZIA Completes His Contest Station! - N6BK

Bob Kupps, N6BK moved to Thailand over 20 years ago. In 2005 he rekindled his interest in ham radio and began the task of building a superstation in the northern province of Chang Mai. After several years his dream has been realized. During the process team HS0ZIA has been active in several contests taking top honors in most. Bob also has entertained several DXers passing through the region. Expect to hear them on over the next several years! Way to go Bob!



DXpeditions at the Bottom of the Sunspot Cycle - K6QU

Jerry found this interesting article that brings DX hope during this season of hope!

[Sunspot Low DXpeditions](#)

DX Contesting Tips - W6HB

Doug found this article on preparing for and operating in a contest.

[Contest Tips](#)

TID BITS

FT8 DX Tips - W6HB


Doug also found this article on DXing with FT8 on K1JT, Joe's, website.

[DXing with FT8](#)



Assistance for the FT8 Intolerance Syndrome (FT8IS) - N6WS

So many club members have expressed fear and trepidation or just plain angst about operating FT8. One way to ameliorate these emotions is to bring in something familiar like a rescue dog. Bill, N6WS, found this advertisement on line that should help the RTTY entrenched transition to FT8.

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The Sun is Melting! - N6QQ

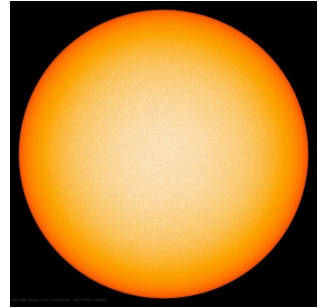
John, N6QQ, submitted this article about Solar activity projection. The sun is dimming! How does that fit into global climate change. If the heater dies it gets cold regardless of the condition of the stratosphere! My beautiful world is melting!

The Sun is Dimming!

Smoke and Fire

Most of us are aware of the various fires plaguing California. What many did not know is that a few of our members were in harms way. Kent, N6WT (ex NC6B—WAY TO GO!), submitted these photos of the smoke from the fire on the central coast. Fortunately it did not get close. Hey Kent! Do you own all that land. Let's build a contest station!

Smoke is also flowing over Bill's antenna (N6WS) in Nipomo. Now copying those two calls in a pile up may be confusing!



For Sale: Alpha 9500 HF Linear Amplifier, SN 005, K6JW

The Alpha 9500 is a full legal limit, microprocessor controlled amplifier that uses a single 8877 tube that can tolerate unlimited, full power key-down operation. The amplifier received a partial rebuild with full upgrades overseen by Gordon Hardman, W0RUN and Brad Focken, K0HM co-developers of the amplifier, in 2012. Subsequently, it received an upgrade to current firmware. The amplifier can be fully computer interfaced, if desired, and it can easily accommodate remote access. Included with the amplifier is an extra 8877 tube (worth \$750) and an extra blower, as well as the full, original manual from RF Concepts. The amp is in like new cosmetic condition and runs to spec with no problems. Current service and support, if ever needed, are provided by Alpha RF Systems in Longmont Colorado and by K0HM Electronics, owned by Brad.

Price: \$4250 if picked up locally in Palos Verdes. \$4450 if shipped. No trades; serious inquiries only. The amplifier is currently set up in the shack and available for demonstration to any interested party.

Contact Jeff, K6JW, at k6jw@scdxc.org

Resource Page

Useful DX Sites

N0HR DXpedition Map
www.n0hr.com/wk34/

The DX Zone
www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX_Resources/

The Daily DX
www.dailydx.com/

Announced DX Ops
www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html

DXing.info
www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/

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www.425dxn.org/dxped/

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Propagation So Many Zeros!

Sitting at the bottom becomes monotonous. So much so that counting the days with zero sunspots becomes the norm. This month more than one third, 12 days to be exact showed zero sunspots!

Nevertheless the bands were open and there was DX to be had! 20 meters and up were filled with rare ones. 15 had its days but 12 and down were pretty much dead.

As we go through winter 160 and 80 should show promise so keep your ears open. These bands are like 6 meters. If you catch it at the right time you can work the world!

ARRL VE Exam Sessions

To find an ARRL exam sessions in your area go to the website:

<http://www.arrl.org/find-an-amateur-radio-license-exam-session>

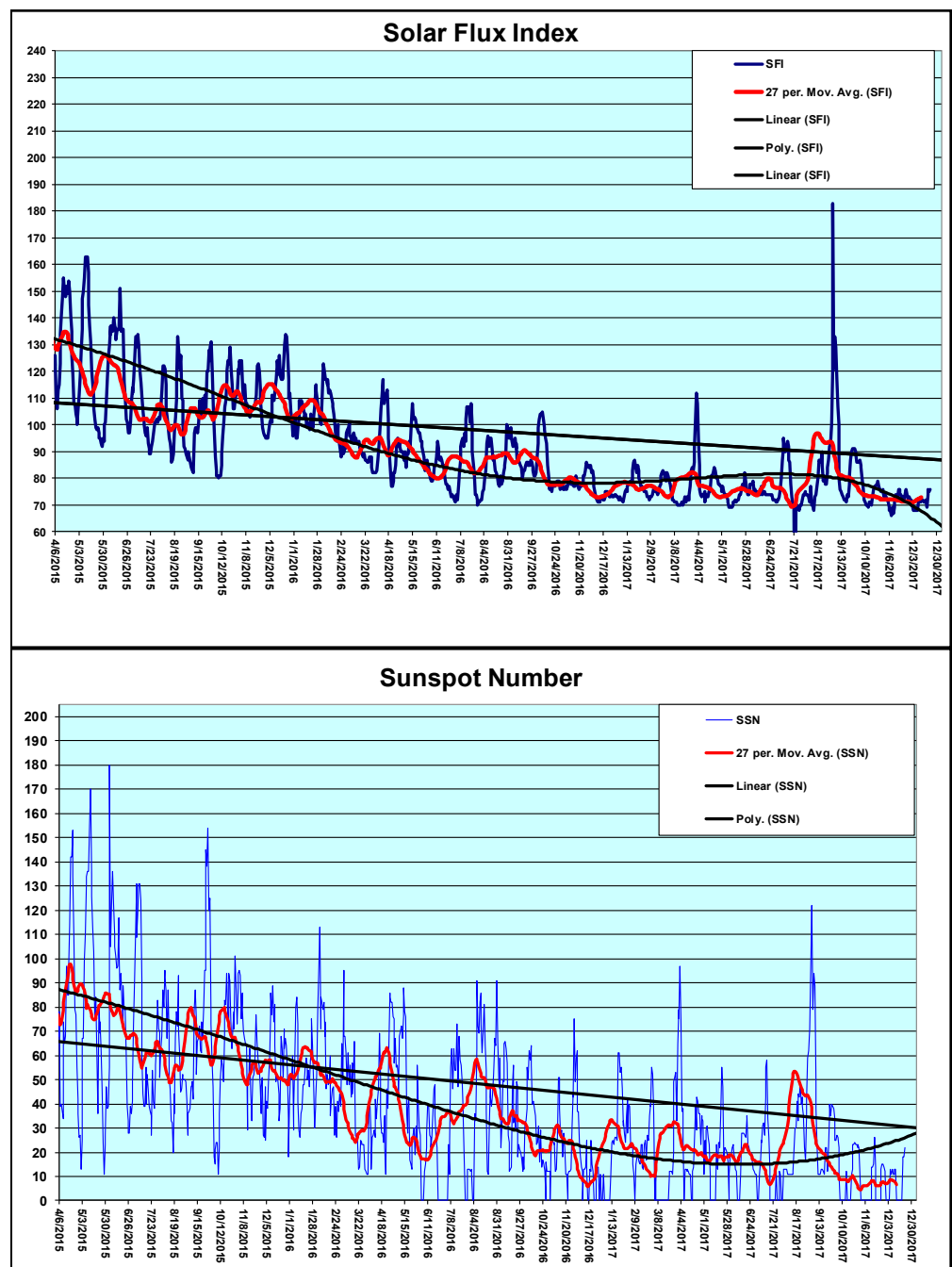
Club and Conduct Sites

Officer Guidelines

http://www.scdxc.org/download/Officer_Guidelines.pdf

DX Code of Conduct

<http://www.dx-code.org/>





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